Each Student Succeeds

Northridge Middle School's RTI process

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What is RTI

■ RTI is the practice of (1) providing high-quality instruction/intervention matched to student needs and (2) using learning rate over time and level of performance to (3) make important educational decisions.

(Batsche, et al., 2005)

Problem-solving is the process that is used to develop effective instruction/interventions.

What is RTI at Northridge

Do the Right Thing

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ODqjUqW3c0U

How do we start?

- Referral process- What NR looks like
- RTI Classroom screener done on all struggling students each trimester.
- Interventions/assessments
- Celebrations

Middle School Vignette: Sam

Sam is 12 and in the seventh grade. He has average intelligence but rarely makes above a D on his report cards. Since he was 9 years old, Sam has been on and off medication for his hyperactivity; however, he continues to be easily distracted during instruction-sometimes getting up and wandering around the classroom. Sam rarely completes his assignments and never participates in class discussions. When Sam's teachers ask him a question, he often responds by mumbling incomplete sentences. Lately Sam has been showing signs of frustrationhe becomes irritable when his teachers try to help him with his work and he angers easily in response to their encouragement that he can do better. Sam's science teacher, Mr. Davis, became alarmed after Sam responded to his direction to "get busy and stop being so lazy" by poking a lab instrument into his arm until it bled. His parents report that he hates school because he feels like a failure.

Northridge RTI Model

40 minutes of needs based direct instruction.

- •65 minutes of Read 180 per trimester
- •25 minutes of Book Club with Reading strategist
- •65 minutes of Voyager Math with a HQ teacher
- •40 minutes of Read 180 or Voyager Mathduring SRT.
- •Co-taught classes in LA and Math
- •Resource Class to work on specific needs for 65 minutes in place of related arts.

65 minutes of Language Arts and Math 5 days a week per trimester (3 12 week sessions)

- Readers Journey-LA series
- 25 minutes of Book Club
- Glencoe Math
- · Acuity (4 Core Content Areas) 4 times a year.
- SRT-Student Resource Time 40 minutes 3 days a week.

What have we learned...

- Professional development for staff is the key ingredient.
- Paradigm shift...
- Fluid... as state requirements and students needs change.
- Team based
- Will not happen overnight; be patient ☺

Questions and Answers

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